

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-37. (Canceled).

38. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

setting a date and time for an event reminder for an event by a first person for a second person;

storing said event reminder as part of a configuration for said second person;

scanning said configuration on a periodic basis for said event reminder;

retrieving said date and time for said event reminder;

placing a call to said second person to provide said event reminder at said date and time using a text-to-speech engine;

requesting confirmation as to whether said second person is to attend said event;

and

receiving said confirmation for said event from said second person over said call.

39. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 38, wherein said event reminder comprises at least one of a voice message, electronic mail message, or Braille message.

40. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38, further comprising:

~~requesting confirmation as to whether said second person is to attend said event;~~
~~receiving confirmation from said second person; and~~
sending said confirmation to said first person.

41. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 38, wherein said setting comprises:
retrieving an event from appointment software; and
setting said event reminder for said retrieved event.

42. (Currently Amended) An article, comprising:
a storage medium;
said storage medium including stored instructions that, when executed by a processor, result in setting a date and time for an event reminder for an event by a first person for a second person, storing said event reminder as part of a configuration for said second person, scanning said configuration on a periodic basis for said event reminder, retrieving said date and time for said event reminder, placing a call to said second person to provide said event reminder at said date and time and time using a text-to-speech engine, requesting confirmation as to whether said second person is to attend said event, and receiving said confirmation for said event from said second person over said call.

43. (Currently Amended) The article of claim 42, wherein the stored instructions, when executed by a processor, further result in ~~requesting confirmation as to whether said second person is to attend said event, receiving confirmation from said second person, and~~ sending said confirmation to said first person.

44. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 42, wherein the stored instructions, when executed by a processor, further results in said setting by retrieving an event from appointment software, and setting said event reminder for said retrieved event.

45. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a configuration database to store configurations;

a configuration retriever to couple to said configuration database, said configuration retriever to scan said configurations for event reminders for an event; and

a response agent to couple to said configuration retriever, said response agent to include a text-to-speech engine, said response agent to receive an event reminder having a date and time set by a first person from a configuration for a second person, and to place a call to said second person to remind said second person of said event at said date and time using said text-to-speech engine, request confirmation as to whether said second person is to attend said event, and receive said confirmation for said event from said second person over said call.

46. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 45, wherein said response agent is ~~configured to request confirmation as to whether said second person is to attend said event, receive confirmation from said second person, and to~~ send said confirmation to said first person.